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Kimberly Staiger, OSC US EPA Region 2 2890 Woodbridge Avenue Edison, NJ 08837

Dear Ms. Staiger,

Below are my comments concerning the Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis for the Jewett White Lead Site, Staten Island, New York.

As a local resident, I support Alternative 2: Excavation and Off-Site Treatment/Disposal as the removal action to accomplish the removal action objectives.

My reasons for this choice are as follows:

- 1) The North Shore of Staten Island, with its many industrial uses past and present, should be a priority area for programs aimed at reducing health impacts of contamination.
- 2) The contamination on the site has been there for many decades and has already created too many health risks for users of the property and nearby residents.
- 3) The history of this site proves that it is very easy for contaminated sites to be lost in the shuffle such that agencies, owners and neighbors do not even know that the contamination exists.
- 4) It is unclear what future plans the property owner has for the property or even whether he/she plans to keep the property long-term.
- 5) Alternative 2 provides the most complete and permanent solution.
- 6) The community would rather not have to keep monitoring the site to ensure that any less than permanent alternatives were implemented and maintained through future owners and future uses.

In conclusion, as a community member, I vote for Alternative 2.

Thank you,

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